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SUBJECT: HIJACKING: OMAN ADHERENCE TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

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1. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DIRECTORATE
GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATIONS(DGCA) OVER PAST WEEKS CONCERNING
OMANI RATIFICATION OF TOKYO, HAGUE, AND MONTREAL ANTI-
HIJACKING CONVENTIONS. BOTH HAVE DISPUTED OUR INFORMATION THAT
OMAN HAS ADHERED ONLY TO TOKYO CONVENTION, SAYING THEY BELIEVE

OMAN HAS ADHERED TO TWO AND POSSIBLY ALL THREE. FOREIGN MINISTRY
HAS JUST INFORMED US, AFTER SEARCHING ITS RECORDS, THAT OFFICIAL
OMANI ADHERENCE TO ALL THREE CONVENTIONS HAS INDEED BEEN
REGISTERED. IT ISSENDING US LETTER CONFIRMING THIS INFORMATION.

2. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT OMANI REGISTRATION OF ADHERENCE TO HAGUE
AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS WAS DEFECTIVE IN SOME WAY. WHEN WE
RECEIVE MINISTRY'S LETTER, WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH THEM TO DETERMINE
IF FURTHER FORMAL ACTIONS REQUIRED ON THEIR PART.

3. IN OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DGCA, THEY
ASSURED US THAT OMANI POLICY IS FIRM AGAINST HIJACKING. EMBASSY
IMPRESSION FROM THESE AND EARLIER DISCUSSIONS IS THAT
THIS IS ONE SUBJECT ON WHICH OMANGOV HAS FEW QUALMS ABOUT
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TAKING FIRM POSITION; I.E., IT WILL NOT HANG BACK TO SEE WHAT
SAUDI ARABIA OR OTHER GULF STATES MIGHT DO.
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